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Vintara Launches the CMMI Industry Solution through its ISO9 Brand

OAKLAND, CA., February 17, 2003 – ISO9 (a Vintara brand), the leading provider of fully automated, Web-based enterprise quality management solutions and services, today announced the availability of a new solution to meet the needs of the software development industry and of those companies employing the Capability Maturity Model Integration (CMMI) as their core development process.

Powered by the Vintara application and professional services program, ISO9 now delivers a solution that provides the guidance and framework a software developer and manufacturer needs to establish effective CMMI process management and improvement practices. From strategic planning and management to data collection and performance reporting, ISO9's enterprise solution ensures a company has the tools to easily and cost-effectively implement the processes that increase the level of software maturity.

The combination of CMMI best practices models and ISO9's industry defined solution enables software companies to:

- Comprehensively link management and engineering activities to global business objectives
- Expand the scope of and visibility into the product life cycle and engineering activities to ensure that the product or service meets customer expectations
- Incorporate lessons learned from additional areas of best practice (e.g., measurement, risk management, and supplier management)
- Implement more robust, high-maturity practices
- Address additional organizational functions critical to its products and services
- More fully comply with whole range of relevant ISO standards

"With CMMI being adopted worldwide, ISO9's industry solution provides the ideal platform on which the global software enterprise can manage key process improvements across their value chains. This is achieved because our application provides complete visibility to all aspects of the management system enabling faster time-to-market and greatly reduced business risk, "states Scott Holt, Vintara's Director of Marketing.

The implementation of ISO9's CMMI solution ensures companies not only gain access to a fully integrated management system platform providing complete visibility to all levels of the CMMI process, they realize a significant number of key benefits including the ability to:

- Define and document key processes using a collaborative and automated document creation and control system
- Train employees to adhere to company established policies and processes using the automated training management center
- Operate effectively with automated project management tools
- Improve continually using automated performance and customer monitoring centers, and corrective action handling center



About Vintara

Vintara is the leading provider of Web-based enterprise process management solutions and services. Founded in 1997, Vintara has a proven track record of helping the enterprise successfully prepare for and cost-effectively maintain compliance with a range of domestic and internationally recognized standards. Our customers come from a variety of industries, with a diverse range of needs. In every case, Vintara has created solutions that meet and exceed their growing business needs.

Combining innovative technology with training and consulting services, our brands – ISO9, ISO14, ISO17 and OHS18 – deliver the solutions that help the enterprise manage their key business processes setting the path to continual improvement.

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